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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK  
OFFICE PATENT OPERATIONS

Art Unit: 1742  
Applicant: Stephen M. Potter  
Serial No: 10/789,694  
Filed: February 27, 2004  
Title: COMBINED PRE-TREATMENT PROCESS FOR ENABLING FEED MATERIAL  
TO BE CHARGED IN DIRECT REDUCTION PROCESS

Charlotte, North Carolina

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Notice of Missing Parts mailed May 25, 2004.

All documents satisfying the outstanding Notice are being filed simultaneously herewith.

A credit card authorization form in the amount of \$110.00 for the Large Entity Extension of Time Fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to DOUGHERTY, CLEMENTS & HOFER Deposit Account No. 04-1448.

Respectfully submitted,

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